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In re Application of Mitsuru Umekida

Application No. 10/659,742

Filed: September 11, 2003

Attorney Docket No. 100725-00102

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed April 8, 2005, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on March 4, 2005 in the above-identified application_cannot_be_refunded.__lf,_however,_the_above-identified application is-again—allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.¹

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

The examiner of Technology Center AU 3682 will consider the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.

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¹ The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form must be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).

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TO

Director, Office of Patent Publication

FROM

Office of the Deputy Commissioner

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SUBJECT

Withdrawal from Issue of

Applicant(s)

:Mitsuru Umekida

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:10/659,742

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The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,877,905 and an issue date of April 12, 2005.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant.

Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of April 12, 2005:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,877,905 to Mitsuru Umekida of Japan for WHEEL BEARING DEVICE appearing in the Official Gazette of April 12, 2005 should be deleted since no patent was granted.

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